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Applicants: Marvin L. Vestal

Serial No.: 08/278,405

EXAMINER: A. Soderquist

Application for Reissue of  
U.S. Patent No. 5,498,545

Filed: July 21, 1994

ART UNIT: 1809

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Title: MASS SPECTROMETER SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MATRIX-  
ASSISTED LASER DESORPTION MEASUREMENTSAssistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231REISSUE OATH/DECLARATION OF SOLE INVENTOR

Sir:

I, Marvin L. Vestal, declare that:

- (1) I am a citizen of the United States of America, residing in Middlesex County, Massachusetts;
- (2) I believe that I am the sole, original and the first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed in the above-referenced application for reissue and for which a patent is sought;
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- (6) The claims of this reissue application are broadened;
- (7) I have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification of this reissue, including the new claims referred to in this Oath/Declaration;
- (8) All errors being corrected in this reissue application up to the time of filing of this oath/declaration arose without any deceptive intention on my part;
- (9) I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.



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ISSUED: March 12, 1996

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TITLE: MASS SPECTROMETER SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR MATRIX-ASSISTED  
LASER DESORPTION MEASUREMENTS

POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE OF ENTIRE INTEREST

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Sir:

As assignee of record of the entire interest of the above-identified

☒ reissue application

☐ patent

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Assignee also hereby grants additional Powers of Attorney to the attorneys and/or agents named above to file and prosecute foreign national patent applications in any and all countries of the world, a regional patent application under the European Patent Convention and/or an international application under the Patent Cooperation Treaty based upon the above-identified application, including a power to meet all designated office requirements for designated states.

Assignee states that the documentary evidence of chain of title has been reviewed and certifies that, to the best of assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee.

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Power Of Attorney By Assignee Of Entire Interest (Revocation Of Prior Powers)  
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Name of assignee of entire interest

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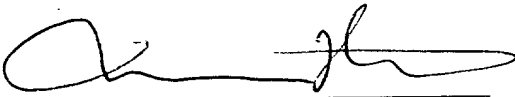
SUBSTITUTE REISSUE OATH/DECLARATION OF SOLE INVENTOR

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REISSUE OATH/DECLARATION OF PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Sir:

I, Loren G. Helmreich, declare that:

- (1) I am a member of the law firm of Browning Bushman, located at 5718 Westheimer, Suite 1800, Houston, Texas 77057. I am registered to practice before the United States Patent and Trademark Office under Registration No. 29,389;
- (2) I represented Vestec Corporation and was the prosecuting attorney for U.S. Patent No. 5,498,545;
- (3) I did not appreciate that the scope of the invention taught by Patent No. 5,498,545 was broad enough to include a system that did not require multiple sample supports;
- (4) I have reviewed this reissue application. All errors being corrected in this reissue application up to the time of filing this oath/declaration arose without any deceptive intention on my part or the part of the application;

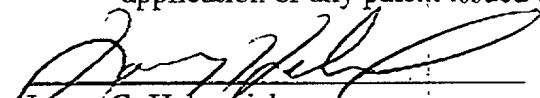
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37 C.F.R. Rule §3.73 Statement Establishing Right of Assignee to Prosecute

Sir:

I, Samuel P. Hunt III, declare that:

- (1) I am Vice President and General Counsel of PerSeptive Biosystems, Inc., 500 Old Connecticut Path, Framingham, Massachusetts 01701 and am authorized to act on behalf of PerSeptive Biosystems, Inc.;
- (2) PerSeptive Biosystems, Inc. is the owner of the entire right, title and interest in, to and under U.S. Patent No. 5,498,545 by virtue of an Assignment dated July 21, 1994 and recorded at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on December 8, 1995 at Reel 7731, Frame 0863 and an Assignment dated November 11, 1996 and recorded at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 25, 1996 at Reel 8251, Frame 0722;
- (3) I have reviewed the Assignments and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, title of U.S. Patent No. 5,498,545 is in PerSeptive Biosystems, Inc.;
- (4) On behalf of PerSeptive Biosystems, Inc., I consent to the reissue of U.S. Patent U.S. Patent No. 5,498,545;

- (5) I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.



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